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# FIRST AMENDMENT

### Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment

**Commissioner for Patents** 

#### Dear Sir:

The Office Action dated December 9, 2004 has been received and carefully reviewed. Please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

## **Title Amendment**

On page 1 of the specification, please replace the Title with the following Title:

# FERRULE FOR FIBER OPTIC CABLE APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR LASER WELDING A FERRULE TO A FIBER OPTIC CABLE